



A NEW ANNONACEOUS FRUIT FROM BRAZIL.

This interesting species, identified by Mr. W. E. Safford as *Annona salzmanni*, is known in the vicinity of Bahia, Brazil, where it is found, as *araticum*, a name which is applied indiscriminately to a number of annonaceous fruits. It was described and named from specimens of foliage and flowers collected some years ago, but the fruit had never been seen by botanists and remained unknown until it was found near a small lagoon on the farm of Col. Demetrio Luiz de Souza. at Bahia, by Messrs. Dorsett, Shamel and Popenoe in 1913. Good specimens are frequently larger in size than the one shown in the photograph, and when ripe are light creamy yellow in color. The flesh is milky white, very sweet in flavor, containing numerous seeds. It may prove of value in breeding annonaceous fruits for tropical and subtropical regions, an important field open to plant breeders which has as yet been scarcely touched. Photo No. 15433 by Dorsett and Popenoe at Lavras, Minas, Brazil Jan. 12, 1914.